

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO AMEMBASSY PRAGUE PRIORITY

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 7978

AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

AMEMBASSY SOFIA

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

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AMEMBASSY LONDON

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C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 14778

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GW, CZ

SUBJECT: FRG/CZECH TALKS

REF: (A) STATE 199677; (B) BUDAPEST 3379 (NOTAL);  
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1. FON OFF SOURCES HAVE TOLD US IN STRICT  
CONFIDENCE THAT A TEAM HEADED BY KLAUS BLECH, NEWLY-  
DESIGNATED HEAD OF EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS OFFICE OF  
FONOFF AND PRESENT SENIOR FRG REP IN BONN GROUP, WILL  
BE IN PRAGUE OCTOBER 11 AND 12 ON A KIND OF  
RECONNOITERING MISSION TO DETERMINE WHETHER TIME IS  
RIPE AND CONDITIONS APPROPRIATE FOR RESUMPTION OF  
TALKS WITH CZECHS. ONE SOURCE SAID TEAM WOULD  
SPECIFICALLY BE SOUNDING OUT POSSIBILITIES FOR  
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"PRACTICAL" SOLUTION TO LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROBLEM.

2. WHILE INFORMAL CONTACTS BETWEEN BONN AND PRAGUE HAVE BEEN MAINTAINED, LAST FORMAL TALKS BROKE DOWN IN AUGUST OVER ISSUE OF FRG CONSULAR REPRESENTATION FOR WEST BERLIN. EXPERT-LEVEL TALKS WHICH HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR PRAGUE BEGINNING OCTOBER 12 HAVE BEEN POSTPONED. BLECH'S MISSION PLAYS A ROLE IN THIS, BUT FUNDAMENTAL REASON FOR CANCELLATION IS THAT, SINCE FRG EXPECTS SOVIETS TO SET TONE FOR POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL ASSISTANCE ISSUE, FONOFF WANTS SCHEEL MOSCOW VISIT (WHICH MOST LIKELY WILL BE SET FOR EARLY NOVEMBER) COMPLETED BEFORE FURTHER FORMAL TALKS WITH EE'S.  
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